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ORDINANCE No. XXIV OF 1947

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ORDINANCE

to provide for the registration of refugees in Delhi

WHEREAS an emergency has arisen which makes it necessary to provide for the registration of refugees in the Province of Delhi;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 42 of the Government of India Act, 1935 (26 Geo. 5, c. 2), as adapted by the India (Provisional Constitution) Order, 1947, the Governor-General is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:—

1. Short title, extent and commencement.—(1) This Ordinance may be called the Delhi Refugees Registration Ordinance, 1947.

(2) It extends to the whole of the Province of Delhi.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

2. Interpretation.—In this Ordinance, “refugee” means any person who has since the first day of March, 1947, entered the Province of Delhi, having left his place of residence elsewhere on account of civil disturbances in that place or the fear of such disturbances.

3. Registration Centres.—The Chief Commissioner shall, as soon as may be, establish in respect of—

(a) each camp in which refugees are being accommodated, and

(b) each of the areas into which he considers it expedient to divide the Province for the purposes of this Ordinance,

a registration centre, and shall appoint a person or a committee of persons to be the registering authority in charge of each such centre.

4. Registration of refugees.—(1) Every refugee for the time being in the Province of Delhi shall, within fifteen days from the commencement of this Ordinance or within seven days from the date of his arrival in the Province, whichever is later, register himself at the registration centre of the camp in which he is being accommodated, or if he is being accommodated elsewhere than in a camp for which a registration centre has been established, at the registration centre of the area in which he is being accommodated.

Provided that a refugee who is the head of a family shall be responsible for the registration of all members of his family for the time being with him :

Provided further that, where a refugee is a female, a minor, a lunatic, an idiot or a person incapable by reason of some physical infirmity of attending at the registration centre, the person who is for the time being in charge of such refugee shall be responsible for his registration.

(2) A person registering under sub-section (1) shall, to the best of his ability, correctly fill up, or cause so to be filled up, the form set out in the First Schedule.

5. **Certificate of registration.**—The registering authority shall issue to every refugee registering under this Ordinance a certificate of registration in the form set out in the Second Schedule.

6. **Penalty.**—If any person refuses, or without lawful excuse (the burden of proving which shall lie upon him) neglects, fully to comply with the requirements of section 4, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees, or with both.

7. **Power to make rules.**—The Central Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Ordinance, and, in particular, providing for the preparation and maintenance of registers of refugees registered under this Ordinance.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

(SEE SECTION 4)

Form of Registration

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REGISTRATION OF REFUGEES

1. Serial No. _____
2. Reception Camp _____
Registration Office No. _____
3. Name of Registration Centre _____
4. Name of Refugee _____
5. Originally residing at _____ District _____
6. Size of family with the refugee :
 - Male adults _____
 - Female adults _____
 - Children _____
 - Total _____

7. Personal data

	(a) No	(b) Name	(c) Relation to refugee	(d) Sex	(e) Age	(f) Civil condition	(g) Literary education	(h) Occupation	(i) Monthly income	(j) Remarks
With the refugee										
At original domicile										
Passing										

8. Resettlement (a)

No. as in 7A (a)	Occupation (b)	Nature of work (c)	Whether employ- ment needed? (d)	Migration		Willing to go anywhere? (g)	Remarks (h)
				Desired? (e)	Where to? (f)		

9. (a) Property in Pakistan

(b) Location

(c) Value

Urban

Rural

A. Immovable

Land ----- Area -----

B. Movable

Houses -----

Cattle -----

Stock-in-trade -----

Household goods -----

Cash and ornaments -----

10. Registered by ----- Date -----

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(SEE SECTION 5)

Form of Certificate of Registration

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

Serial No. -----

Reception Camp No. -----

Registration Office No. -----

Name of refugee —————

Address before evacuation —————

Name of head of family —————

Signature or finger print of refugee —————

Office of registration —————

Registered by —————

Date —————

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